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TAGS: SENV, NATO

SUBJECT: CCMS: INTERNATIONAL RESOLUTION ON ROAD
SAFETY

REF: (A) USNATO 1082; (B) PARIS 4896; (C) PARIS 5014

1. ASSUMPTION IN NATO 1082 IS CORRECT THAT US WILL TABLE
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THIS REVISED TEXT AT FORTHCOMING APRIL CCMSPLENARY.
USNATO AUTHORIZED TO CURCULATE COPY OF RESOLUTION TEXT AS

DEVELOPED AT PARIS MEETING (SEE PARIS 4896) TO NATO
SECRETARIAT AND ALL ALLIED DELEGATIONS. NOTE THAT EXPERTS
ATTENDING THE PARIS WORKSHOP ADOPTED THE REVISED TEXT AD
REFERENDUM.

2. US WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AS STRONG A SHOWING OF SUPPORT
OF RESOLUTION AS POSSIBLE IN APRIL; (A) BY HAVING AS MANY
GOVERNMENTS AS POSSIBLE AGREE IN ADVANCE TO SUBMIT TEXT
JOINTLY WITH US, AND (B) BY HAVING AS MANY AS POSSIBLE OF
THE OTHER ALLIES AGREE TO THE FULL TEXT OF RESOLUTION AT
THE PLENARY, AND (C) BY HAVING DELEGATES OF GOVERNMENTS
NOT AGREEING TO FULL TEXT OF RESOLUTION, INDICATE AREAS
OF AGREEMENT AS WELL AS TROUBLESOME ISSUES.

3. RE THE POSSIBLE GOVERNMENTS AGREEING TO JOINT SUB-
MISSION: BECAUSE FRENCH, GERMAN AND DUTCH DELEGATES TO
PARIS WORKSHOP SUPPORTED REVISED TEXT WITHOUT RESERVATION,
WE JUDGE THEIR GOVERNMENTS ARE MOST LIKELY TO AGREE TO
JOINT SUBMISSION. ITALIAN, CANADIAN AND UK DELEGATES TO
WORKSHOP EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ON STATISTICAL GOALS.
HENCE WE JUDGE THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS MAY BE LESS LIKELY
TO AGREE TO JOINT SUBMISSION. ALTHOUGH BELGIUM NOT
REPRESENTED AT PARIS WORKSHOP, WE ALSO JUDGE FROM PRIOR
DISCUSSIONS THAT GOB MIGHT AGREE TO JOINT SUBMISSION. WE
HAVE NO READING ON POSITION OF OTHER ALLIES WITH REGARD
TO JOINT SUBMISSION.

4. US RECOGNIZES THAT ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION AT THE
APRIL PLENARY IS NOT FEASIBLE GOAL AT THIS POINT IN VIEW
TIME CONSTRAINTS. HOWEVER, WE SEEK AT A

MINIMUM TO HAVE A STRONG SHOWING OF SUPPORT TO LAY
FOUNDATION FOR ITS ADOPTION AT NOVEMBER PLENARY. IN
PARTICULAR, WE WILL WANT TO KNOW THE PRECISE ISSUES THAT
WOULD PREVENT ADOPTION ASIT IS SO THAT WE CAN RESOLVE
THEM IN UNILATERAL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN THIS TIME AND THE
JUNE WORKSHOP, AND OBTAIN FULL CONSENSUS AT THE JUNE
WORKSHOP.

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5. ACTION ALL NATO CAPITALS: (1) IF POSTS HAVE NOT

ALREADY DONE SO, REQUEST YOU DISTRIBUTE REVISED TEXT (PARIS 4896) TO ALL ATTENDEES OF PARIS WORKSHOP LISTED IN PARA 8 OF PARIS 5014 AND OTHER APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, (2) WORK CLOSELY WITH GOVERNMENT (A) TO SECURE AGREEMENT ON TEXT, (B) TO SECURE AGREEMENT TO SUBMIT TEXT JOINTLY WITH US (C) TO DELINEATE ANY ISSUES THAT ARE OBSTACLES TO AGREEMENT, (3) KEEP ADMINISTRATOR, NHTSA, USDOT INFORMED ON PROBLEM ISSUES SO THAT AS MANY AS POSSIBLE CAN BE IRONED OUT BEFORE APRIL PLENARY.

6. FOR POSTS IN CAPITALS OF ALLIED COUNTRIES NOT REPRESENTED AT FEBRUARY WORKSHOP (APART FROM BELGIUM WHICH HAD PREVIOUSLY INDICATED STRONG SUPPORT FOR RESOLUTION): EMBASSY SHOULD POINT OUT TO HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS THAT WE BELIEVE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION IS VERY MUCH IN THEIR OWN, AS WELL AS OUR MUTUAL, INTEREST. IN PARTICULAR, EXCHANGE OF SAFETY PROGRAM PLANS AND OPERATING PRACTICES AS CALLED FOR IN RESOLUTION SHOULD MATERIALLY AID SMALLER NATIONS IN PLANNING THEIR OWN SAFETY PROGRAMS EFFICIENTLY AND AT MUCH LOWER COST AND LESS WASTED EFFORT.

7. FYI: US IS INTERESTED IN OBTAINING AS MUCH SUPPORT

FROM SMALLER ALLIES AS POSSIBLE. THIS MIGHT HELP CONVINCE ANY OF THE LARGER NATO ALLIES WHICH IS RELUCTANT TO SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION FULLY. THE PROBLEM WHICH THE SMALLER NATIONS MIGHT RAISE IS THE MAGNITUDE OF THE WORKLOAD INVOLVED IN IMPLEMENTING THE RESOLUTION. A RESPONSE TO THIS CAN BE THAT A PURPOSE OF THE JUNE WORKSHOP IS TO WORK OUT STREAMLINED MODALITIES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE RESOLUTION WITH MINIMUM WORKLOAD. REFER TO PARA 6 PARIS 5014. END FYI.

8. FOR PARIS, BONN, NATO: SEE ADDITIONAL REFTEL
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